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Demonstration Notice:

A major political protest is planned for Saturday, December 30, beginning at 12:00 noon in front of VMRO-DPMNE headquarters in central Skopje (near the Best Western Hotel on Makedonija Street). A significant police presence, large crowds and severe traffic congestion due to street closures are expected.

Spontaneous demonstrations take place in Macedonia from time to time in response to world events or local developments. We wish to remind U.S. citizens that even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and escalate into violence. You should avoid areas of demonstrations, and exercise caution if in the vicinity of any large gatherings, protests, or demonstrations.

We strongly recommend that U.S. citizens traveling to or residing in Macedonia enroll in the Department of State's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) at <https://step.state.gov/step>. STEP enrollment gives you the latest security updates, and makes it easier for the U.S. embassy or nearest U.S. consulate to contact you in an emergency. If you don't have Internet access, enroll directly with the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate.

Regularly monitor the State Department's website at <http://travel.state.gov>, where you can find current Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and the Worldwide Caution. Read the Country Specific Information for Macedonia at http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_4965.html. For additional information, refer to "A Safe Trip Abroad" on the State Department's website.

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in need of urgent assistance, the emergency number for the U.S. Embassy is (02) 310-2000 and the [e-mail](mailto:consularskopje@state.gov) is consularskopje@state.gov.